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Neal R. Jensen Western States Minerals 113 East 200 North Santaquin, Utah 84655

Re: Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Travertine #1 Project, S/023/042, Juab County, Utah

Dear Mr. Jensen:

Thank you for your Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, received by the Division on July 7, 1995. The application for the Travertine #1 Project, located in the SW 1/4 of Section 14, T14S, R3W, SLBM, Juab County, Utah is complete and no additional information is required at this time.

You have requested a variance to leave the existing road and upgrading it with gravel only. No other improvements will be made to the road. We have contacted the BLM regarding this variance request and they are conceptually in agreement. However, they will reserve their final decision regarding reclamation of the road until mine closure.

This operation was recently transferred to you from Western States Limestone Company. We have effectively changed the operator name for this project to Western States Minerals.

For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices", and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (SMO-1). Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices. Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

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Should you wish to expand your operation beyond the five (5) acre limitation, please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements.

A Memorandum of Understanding between this Division and the State Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) requires us to notify them upon receipt of a mining application. If you haven't already done so, you are advised to contact their office prior to starting your small mining operation to determine whether additional permits and/or approvals are required. We will forward a copy of this letter and your notice to the DEQ for their review. Their address and phone number is: Department of Environmental Quality, 288 North 1460 West, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84116, (801) 538-6146.

Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,

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Reclamation Hydrologist

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